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Hebrew Missionary Speakers

Representing a very much-needed, yet sadly-neglected phase of Christian work, Rev. Frederick Imhoff and Rev. H. A. Kramer of the Cleveland Hebrew Mission were guest speakers of the University at a chapel service and two services in Dayton churches.

As he told of the Jewish work in Cleveland, Brother Imhoff said that there are 154,000 Jews in that city, comparatively few of whom have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour. Other branches of this work have been established in Youngstown and Sharon, Ohio, and in Rochester, New York.

Concerning the condition of the Jews, Brother Imhoff pointed out, "The Jews press forward to establish a righteousness of their own, and they say that they are a good people . . . so that they must continue in their suffering. The supreme thing is to give them a vision of God, who is able to help them."

Brother Kramer gave his testimony as a Jew who had been converted in Florida. For two years he preached in that state, then he realized God wanted him to witness among his own people in his former home, Cleveland, Ohio. Now he is actively engaged in this ministry, working with Rev. Imhoff in the Hebrew Mission. As a concluding challenge to his message, Brother Kramer asked, "Don't you think there is something you can do for my people? In this world where it is impossible for them to find a bit of security, surely they can look to you as Christian people . . . Go to the Jews and tell them that they need the Lord Jesus in their hearts."

Quartette Returns from Florida Tour

Zero weather, ice, deep snow, aching fingers, red noses, a snowplow on Bryan Hill roads—what a contrast to the eighteen days of sunshine the Ladies' Quartette enjoyed in Florida at Christmas time! Seeing Spanish moss hanging down from the trees like a collection of Father Time's beards, eating oranges and grapefruit in almost everyone's back yard, seeing little negro boys dance jigs to attract people to stop and buy pecans, seeing roses in bloom and green grass, all this and more is Florida in winter. In making so thorough a tour of the state we were able to see a great number of interesting places, among them the beautiful Bok Tower in Lake Wales. We were fortunate to be there in a glorious high noon of sunshine with the sound of the chimes lending an atmosphere of joy. At Silver Springs we felt we were giants looking down into another bright world. However, we were called back to reality while we tried to feed the fish, who were apparently already well satisfied. Crossing the Tamiami Trail on a hot afternoon, we were delighted to see hundreds of tropical birds.

The joy of seeing new things could not compare with the blessing of

meeting people who really know Him and of witnessing to His grace and love in almost every section of the state. The group started their services in the northern part of the state in Green Cove Springs, Penny Farms, Palatka, and Starke, and then went south to St. Cloud, Winter Garden, and Orlando, "the city beautiful." Other points in the tour were West Palm Beach, Miami, Tampa, Temple Terrace, Eagle Lake, La Belle, and Eustis. We were privileged to meet friends of the University everywhere we went, and to find their interest in the work keen. Mr. F. B. Huston, of West Palm Beach, took us to the jail there, not because we were condemned, but because we are free through Him and could witness to the people there who are hungry for hope and relief. In Eustis we were with Brother John Hay, a former missionary to Africa, who has been a speaker at the University on several occasions. The whole trip proved to be a delightful time of spiritual refreshing in the Lord. The group included members of the Ladies' Quartet, Gertrude Allem, Sara Allem, Rebecca Peck, and Ruth Toliver, and members of the faculty and staff, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fish.

BASKETBALL REPORTS

Through the courtesy of the local high school principal in granting use of the gymnasium, the Bryan boys have enjoyed the diversion offered by several games of basketball. In the last two of four games with the high school team, the Bryan Lions maintained a leading score.

As the opening feature of the contest between the Scarlet and Gold, the teams representing these groups clashed for their first game in January, with a victory for the Scarlets. In a second combat, the Scarlets again claimed the victory.

Leading scorers in these games have been Gordon Matheny and Daniel Hirschy.

NEEDED—BRYAN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Colds! Infections! Sickness! Yes, these invade the health of students of Bryan University as they do elsewhere. Because of the unusually large enrollment this year, all available dormitory space has been used, leaving no rooms in which illness may be cared for. Realizing that complete isolation of contagion is necessary for the protection of the entire student body, and that absolute quiet and facilities for routine care are needed for the patient, the need has been made a matter of prayer. God can supply—a hospital.

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— God Above All —

We Are Doing Better

By President Judson A. Rudd

With genuine satisfaction we report a continuation of greater material blessings. Gifts received in January were somewhat less than for December but still enough to cause great rejoicing. The Lord knew our need, anticipating the difficulties with steam heating equipment and the greatly increased expenditures for fuel. We trust that those giving found real satisfaction in co-operating with others to meet the unusual seasonal expenditures. In the name of Christ we thank you.

Ever since the responsibility for financing the University became ours we have also known that this responsibility was the Lord's. In our own strength we could do nothing. A study of the Word of God and particularly the reading of the New Testament several times, with this responsibility in mind, helped more than all the advice of experienced Godly Christians. Two scripture verses stood out above all others as guiding beacons: "Give, and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38.)

We have here much assurance that God will not forget our labors of love. We can give from the barrel of meal knowing that it will be replenished. However, if we give, expecting a direct return from the person given to or from some friend or observer of our beneficence, we are not really giving but bargaining in a sales transaction. Christ said, "give ye them to

eat." He did not say "sell ye them to eat."

The other verse is, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." (Gal. 6:7.) Christians sowing to the carnal nature will reap corruption. Christians sowing, not to the Adamic nature, but to the new Christ Life, will reap life everlasting. But we have here a special application of a general principal. Sowing and reaping are in kind in all realms.

Here at Bryan, we are giving and sowing, but we are also receiving and reaping. One follows the other with absolute certainty. Therefore, we have known that God's blessings would not come by chance but in accordance with the wisdom and love of an Almighty Saviour. Finally, we are not the victim of circumstances over which we have no control. We know the path of blessing.

God alone knows absolutely what we deserve and what is good for us. In a general way, we know that there is a reason for the material and spiritual progress and growth made for several years.

The results have been earned, and the greater blessings have been deserved. On the other hand, God has allowed Satan to buffet us to keep us humble and conscious of our continuing need of Him. Oh, so often we have been so humiliated and abased that we could scarcely see any results worth reporting to our friends. An ever changing student body and some changes in the staff bring new problems as well as a repetition of old problems. For this reason, the improvements in buildings and equipment often seem more real than greater spirituality. How it rejoices our hearts to know, though, that in spite of each year's problems every student body has greater promise than any before it. Probably, our greatest encouragement comes from students who have graduated and who are really going on. In them we see everlasting results that will remain after buildings crumble to dust. They are not only our greatest encouragement but our greatest reminder to keep on doing better.

There is no use wasting time on any young man who drinks, no matter how exceptional his talents.—Andrew Carnegie.

UNUSUAL ORGANIZATION IN CHICAGO

Misinformed readers whose conception of Chicago makes it a den of thieves and a sanctuary for gangsters, cutthroats, and law breakers may be surprised to learn of the existence of the Christian Transportation Men's Fellowship, "an inter-denominational and non-sectarian group of born-again men, aiming to encourage each other in Christian fellowship and to cooperate in winning others to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Meetings are held in the Central YMCA Cafeteria on the second and third Thursday evenings of each month for prayer and supper. Monthly meetings are held in Missions, Churches, and for the purpose of visitation work.

Speakers for the meetings are well-known outstanding business men who know and love the Lord and take an active part in His testimony. Though the majority of these speakers are engaged in the field of transportation and traffic, visitors come from other professions to tell of the saving Grace of the Lord and to praise His name. Membership in the club is representative of some of the largest and smallest railway lines and motor transport concerns.

Newsette is happy to send greetings to the Christian Transportation Men's Fellowship and to wish them the Lord's blessing in the harvest fields.

SCARLET-GOLD SCHOOL DIVISION

Bryan University inaugurated a system of intra-mural competitive activities at a recent Chapel exercise. The student group is divided into two parts, the Scarlet and the Gold, each side to furnish teams in a variety of student activities.

Already the sides have clashed in a spelling match and on the basketball court; and a basketball tournament will soon be run off. Other sports will include baseball, soft ball, tennis, horse shoes, and ping-pong. Forensic engagements will see the two sides pitting their wits in debate.

ALUMNUS VISITS

After completing his first semester at Dallas Theological Seminary at Dallas, Texas, Forrest Ford, an alumnus of 1939, visited at the University on his return home. Forrest, better known as Rhody, was accompanied by another Seminary student, Harold Koch.

Mr. Koch expects to leave in March for the mission field in Belgian Congo, Africa. In a message to the students, he pointed out from Romans 1:15-32, two revelations: the power of God unto salvation, and the lost condition of the heathen. He admonished those who know and enjoy the privileges of salvation to be in God's will, so that He may use them in the seeking of the many lost ones.

What Must I Do to be Saved?

Nothing either great or small, nothing, sinner, no;
Jesus died and did it all long, long ago.
When He from His lofty throne, stooped to do and die,
Everything was fully done, hearken to His cry—

"It is finished;" yes, indeed, finished every jot.
Sinner, this is all you need; tell me, is it not?
Till to Jesus' work you cling by a simple faith,
Doing is a deadly thing, doing ends in death.

Cast your deadly doing down, down at Jesus' feet.
Stand in Him, in Him alone, gloriously complete.
What must I do? has oft been asked, eternal life to gain;
Man anxious seems for any task if this he may obtain.

But all the doing has been done, as God has clearly shown,
When by the offering of His Son, His purpose He made known.
He laid on Him the sinner's guilt when came the appointed day.
And by the blood of Calvary spilt takes all our guilt away.

—Author Unknown.

Statistical Sam's Summary



In the above illustration each ladder rung represents \$1,000 of income from gifts, each coin representing \$250. Each month's gifts are shown, to the nearest \$250.

The Newsette

Who Said 'Sunny South'?

Doubtless, the well-meaning gentleman who first spoke of this section of the country as the "Sunny South" is no longer resting easily, with temperature falling below those in the wild and rugged North and snow ranging in depth from two or three inches to more than a foot. Thermometers seem to wear an almost quizzical expression as the red drops to thirty-two, to twenty-two and then hurries below the zero mark—a mark no decent Southern "mometer" would think of passing. Six below zero—bottoms for us so far—is probably as much as fifteen or twenty below the usual par.

Far be it from the woolly Northerners to let cottony Southerners live in peace under such conditions. Faces never before washed in anything colder than spring water have been introduced, most forcibly, to the invigorating tang of the snow flake. Backs have shivered to the slowly descending, yet unreachable piece of ice, hats

have mysteriously lifted from unsuspecting heads at the impact of well-aimed snowballs, and muscles have first limbered, then tired, and finally stiffened and ached—all because of snow.

Floridians have timidly stood at windows gazing out over a new world of chilly whiteness, wondering if it would not quite suddenly disappear and leave only sand and palms. Georgians and Alabamans have proudly boasted of ten years ago when—"Why, even the old well bucket froze solid, and you could hardly see the roadway."

Radiators offered warm welcome to frost-bitten toes and fingers and proved their popularity in doing so—until the Octagon furnace, completely overcome by the faithless weather, groaned in misery and burst the boiler, leaving Floridians not alone in realizing that "if summer goes, can winter be far behind?"

Sunny South! Br-r-r-r-r-r



Gift Receipts, June 1 to Dec. 31	\$ 8,569.58
Gift Receipts During January	\$ 1,873.93
Total Gift Receipts to Jan. 31, 1940	\$ 10,443.51

You should have seen my chest swell as I climbed two rungs again this month! \$1873 wasn't enough for the full eight coins, but I had a balance from last month that made up the difference.

Only four more months to go — and I do want to get to that top rung! If we can do just a little better, I'll make it. Here's hoping . . . and trying!

Sam

LADIES TO SING AT

SUMMER CONFERENCE

Summer engagements for the quartets representing the Gospel Singers of Bryan University are already in the making, and ministers and others interested in a sound Gospel testimony and good singing are urged to write the University with reference to dates.

From July first through the seventh the Ladies' Quartette will be at the Indian Park Bible Conference at Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Under the directorship of Evangelist William B. Young, this conference is the gathering place for many young folks who are seeking Christian fellowship in a happy combination of inspirational messages, study, and fun. The University looks forward with pleasure to sharing in this work of the Lord.

A TESTIMONY

Nine young people crowded into a five-passenger car, two hanging on the outside. That is the way we leave Bryan Hill every Saturday afternoon, some going to street-meeting, some going to the jail, and still others going to visit the hospital. Before we reach the bottom of the hill one or two more may have jumped on, a happy crowd on their way to bring their testimony to God's saving and keeping grace before the transients, townspeople, and pedestrians. How I praise the Lord for this fellowship, which I never could have enjoyed had I remained at home.

I know the Lord has called me into some field of missionary endeavor, and nowhere else could I receive the training necessary better than at Bryan University. My part in the ministry is to visit the patients in the local hospitals periodically, and to teach Sunday-School classes at two of our community churches in the country. I love my primary class at Pleasantdale. The teen-age girls at Washington are a challenge.

From the time I "let go and let God" two years ago until now have been the happiest years of my life. God's golden promise, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths," has been a precious reality.

—M. A. McKinnon.

CHAPEL PROGRAMS

The Christian Service Association has given the student body stirring programs during the last month. On January 16 Martha Mailander related her experience in being called from New York to Virginia and the mountains of East Tennessee to point the way of life to hungry souls there. It was a challenge to Bryan students to hear her tell of how the Lord supplied her needs from time to time so that she could keep her appointments in country schools, telling the children about the One who gave His life for them.

On January 23 the Student Pastors' Fellowship called all the snow fighters in from their play to give them a quiet time of worship and blessing in Him. Miss Gertrude Al'em sang in her convincing way "When You Know Jesus Too." "The bitter waters made sweet" was the theme of Clarence Blackburn's message as he urged the students to let the Lord turn all their bitter experiences to sweetness through Him.

ATTENTION PLEASE!

Those who do not regularly receive copies of the Sunday School lesson and Prayer Letters will be given this blessing at their request. Or if you would like sample copies for friends they will gladly be sent.

A brief report of the Christian Service Association's activities was mailed in December to those who had previously indicated an interest in the work. Additional copies of the illuminating and inspiring report are available.

CLASS CHAPEL PROGRAMS

The Juniors broadcast their chapel program "from down-town Dayton on a street corner," and it seemed every person whom they stopped to ask his history, past, present, and future, was a Bryan student, which the listeners thought rather a strange coincidence. The broadcast was interesting, however, even to the expert advertising of the wonderful candy that the Juniors are so enthusiastically selling.

The Sophomores had the student body "seeing red" during their program. They invited several students to take part in an old-fashioned spelling bee, dividing them into two groups, Scarlet and Gold. The result was fun for everybody with the Scarlet carrying off first honors.

REV. FRED KENDAL

"Your God shall be my God . . ." —upon this and other portions of the book of Ruth, Brother Fred Kendal, Superintendent of the Christian Hebrew Mission of Detroit, enlarged and pointed out that the faith of Ruth was a strong, unwavering faith in the Lord, a faith similar to the faith of our own salvation, a faith like unto that delivered "unto the Saints."

Brother Kendal's informative words concerning God's chosen people and their need of honest and active love on the part of Christians left in the hearts of the hearers the desire to tell the story to these people, that they might know Him, whom to know is truth and freedom.

Builders and Supporters of Bryan

—that we stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.—Philippians 1:27.

Please enroll me as one of the Builders and Supporters of Bryan University in providing a Godly education for young people.

As a "Builder and Supporter of Bryan" I will, the Lord helping me, contribute to the budget:

- (1) \$..... monthly during the balance of the fiscal year ending May 31, 1940.
- (2) \$..... on or before May 31, 1940.
- (3) \$..... cash enclosed herewith.

Name.....

Date..... Address.....

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And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

—II Tim. 2:2.